WORKS! Conference Set for March 29-31

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The 11th annual WORKS! Conference on Recycling, Composting and Household

Hazardous Waste will be held on the Bethel College Campus in North Newton, Kan. on March 29–31.

The annual conference, sponsored by KDHE's Bureau of Waste Management, draws more than 300 professionals, business operators, public employees and others interested in recycling, composting and household hazardous waste management. Conference participants not only come from Kansas but from across the U.S. and other countries.



"Looking Toward the Future: Taking Recycling, Composting and Household Hazardous Waste Management to the Next Level" will be the 2005 conference focus. The keynote speaker will be environmental advocate Chad Pregracke, founder of Living Lands and Waters. Pregracke will describe how he transformed a single-person effort to clean up the Mississippi River into a coordinated organization with staff, a fleet of barges and thousands of volunteer workers.

During the two-day event, more than a dozen specialized breakout sessions will be presented on the current best practices in Recycling, Composting and Household Hazardous Waste methods. A limited number of exhibitors will display their products and services at the conference.

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